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ALEXANDRIA:

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A letter in the New York Times, dated Hong Koog, Feb. 5, states that Com. Armstrong had left for the United States, and that Com. Tatnail had assumed command of the United States squadron. The Mississippi had been ordered to Whampoa. The Minnesota, San Jacinto and Portemouth were at Hong Kong, but the two latter would proceed to Manilla in a short time. Mr. Reed had chartered the American steamer Aptelope to take him to Shangbae, and was to pay her \$5,000 per month for six months.

Dates from Caraccas to the 31st ult., have been received at New York. The overthrow of Monagas is complete, and his banishment or execution is clamored for. Placards have been posted giving a list of robberies perpetrated under Monagas' rule, amounting to over \$17,000,000. It was reported that the American Minister had advised Monagas to declare Carraccae in a state of siege, and himself dictator. The whole diplomatic corps would probably receive courage from the provisional government.

The New York Commercial in an article on "Political parties hereafter," says:-"All previous history of political parties in this republic has shown, however, that except during transition processes, there can really be but two great political organizations-the party of the Administration and the party of the opposition. Whatever may be the temporary excitements, and though political amalgamation may be brought on by such agitations, so soon as the country has rest therefrom and resumes its normal condition, the people settle down into supporters of the policy of the existing government and the opponents of that policy. The indications now are very palpable that so soon as the "Kansas question" is removed from the arena of national politics, parties will resume their settled attitudes and there will be only two parties known to the country." The Commercial also thinks that in preparing for the future of political action, the Demooracy may be said to have the advantage over their opponents. That party has suffered less disintegration during the late commotion in the political atmosphere than any

From the private papers of Santa Anna and his emissaries, it appears that as far back as September last, he was actively plotting and directing the revolutionary movements of his confederates in view of his restoration to his old dictatorship. The sequel shows, however, that he counted with-

The Young Men's Christian Association of Richmond, numbers between 600 and 700 members, active, associate and honorary .--The active consist of men under 40, and who are members of the church—the associate, of persons not professing religion, and of such persons professing as are over 40 years, and the honorary are principally clergymen. The Library now contains 2,200 volumes .-The Reading Room is free for strangers, and the subscription for members is \$2 a year, with the privilege of using the Reading Room and taking out books.

Ion, the Washington correspondent of the Baltimore Sun says :- "The conference committee on the Kansas bill will, it is supposed, report a project substantially the same as that mentioned as having been offered by Mr. English, it will settle the question .--It gives Kansas the right to reject the whole constitution, of to wait for an enabling act, which may be passed after she shall have a sufficient population to entitle her to one representative."

In the House of Representatives on Wednesday, the Military Academy appropriation bill was debated, and after the rejection of several amendments, was finally passed as reported, The bill making appropriations for the Legislative, Executive and Judicial expenses of Government for the ensuing fiscal year, was also considered in committee, and several amendments were proposed.

The agricultural interest which has been very prosperous for several years past, must now it is said, be prepared for a low scale of prices until the merchants and manufacturers have had time to recuperate their energies, which have been exhausted on the part of the manufacturers by too high prices for raw material, and on that of the merchants by prices of all staples of export being too high for transportation to distant markets.

Four burglars broke into the grocery store of Mesers. Daters & Co., No. 161 Front street, in New York, on Wednesday. They blew open the safe with gunpowder, and stole about \$400 and some bonds and mortgages. Only one was arrested, who proved to be John Miller, a noted burglar. He was locked up in the Toombs for trial, and the Police are on lookout for the accomplices.

Mr. Jim Pickett's exequatur having been by the Supreme Granant of Marion the Governor of the State of Mexico, the to Mr. P. that he recognises nating from Zuloaga as the heatorder emaernment, and continues Mr. P.'s reche Govas Consul.

In the House of Representatives, on Wedneeday, Mr. Letcher, of Va., on leave, introduced certain joint resolutions of the General Assembly of Virginia, for the final settlement of half-pay to certain Revolutionary officers; which were referred to the Committee on Revolutionary Claims.

Miss Louiss Lander of Salem, Mass, now in Rome, and the only female pupil of the lamented Crawford, is making a bust of her townsman, Mr. Hawthorne, who is also in Rome, and a bas relief of the Rev. Mr. Mountford. Her principal work thus far

is a statue of "Evangeline." Mr. Richard Wallach has been tendered by a number of citizens, irrespective of party. that dodge would not do, and it is likely that an increase of \$1,160,013. The discounting Mr. Wallach has accepted the nomination.

We have received from Mr. George E. French, "The Quaker Soldier" or the British in Philadelphia, a historical novel, complete in one handsome volume. It is noticed us a work of ability, and the author is said to display a rare knowledge of early revolutionary history. The chief character Friends, whose adventures are full of interest.

We have also received from Mr. French the May number of Harper's Magazine, inferior in no respect to its predecessors .--Among the interesting contents are a continuation of Thackeray's Virginians; A Winter in the South, continued; Tiger bunting on foot in India; the story of Florence Fay; Experience of a gambler; &c., &c.

From Mr. George Siggers, No. 75, Prince treet, we have, also, received a copy of Harper's Magazine for May.

The Senate's committee of conference on the Kansas bill have still Mr. English's substitute under consideration. It was supposed tiey would arrive at some conclusion, yester-

Charles Campbell, esq., author of the history of Virginia, is warmly recommended for the Professorship of history in William and Mary College, made vacant by the death of the gifted Washington.

The dispute as to whether Mrs. Fremont's name is Jessie or Ann, has been decided by the publication of her father, Col. Benton's will. Her name is Jessie Ann; so that both parties to this important controversy were right, and both were wrong.

Major General A. H. Farnham, died at his residence in Honesdale, Pa., on Tuesday

The small seines on the Patuxent River, have been unsuccessful thus far, and the take of fish less than usual.

The celebrated bark Adriatic, has cleared at Savannah, with a sargo of lumber for

great run in Europe.

Kansas.

The Washington correspondent of the Richmond South says:--"There is scarcely any ground to hope for the passage of the Kansas bill, in any shape, during this session, and of the consequent admission of Kaning for the Southern States to regret in this result. The Democratic Southern members, and all from the South except a few, voted for the bill in its least objectionable form .-In this they acted according to principleand did their full duty-perhaps they yielded more than duty and right required. But there is no present claim for doing more --Kansas will and must be an anti-slavery State within six months after being admitted even under the Lecompton (or a pro-slavery) Constitution. Thus the South has nothing to gain and much to lose from the admission of Kansas. This opinion should not operate to bar her admission, if there was a rightful and constitutional claim. But neither on the necessary and important ground of having the requisite population, nor any other just ground, has Kansas rightful claim now to be admitted as a State.

French Embassy. The "getting up" of the new French embassy to London, it is said, will exceed anything for brilliancy that has ever preceded it in the history of diplomatic magnificence .-The Duke's official carriage will surpass in beauty and cost that made for Marshal Soult Appual salary as ambassador 300,000 francs; for installation, or what is called under our old diplomatic law "outfit," 10,000 francs, to support the title of the Duke of Malakoff, 10,000 france a year; as Marshal of France, 40,000 france; as Senator, 30,000 france; and after these, several smaller sums for the various decorations he wears. The total is about 580,000 francs a year, or \$115,000. As he is a bachelor, the Baroness Malaret, wife of the first secretary of the legation, a lady eminently qualified, will do the bonors of the embassy. The marshal has taken the Sefton House, Belgrave Square, for his new resi-

Hon. Edward Everett.

It will be seen by the following card that the lion. Edward Everett has again been compelled to suspend his Southern tour. extract from the Charleston Mercury of the 19th instant:

A CARD .- The subscriber, having this day received letters from his family which again make it necessary for him to return home, begs leave in this way to express to the public bodies and committees which bave honored him with invitations to repeat his address "on the character of Washington" his deep regret that he is obliged a second time to postpone the fulfilment of his engagements. EDWARD EVERETT.

CHARLESTON, (S. C.) April 18, 1858. has thus again prevented the distinguished patriot from carrying out his design at a try at a duty of 15 per cent., the rate assesseason of the year favorable. It is hoped, however, he may be enabled to execute it posed of whip-gut or cat-gut.

during the present spring.

The Littles Murder Case. ROCHESTER, N. Y , April 20 .- The trial of Stout, indicted with Mrs. Littles, for the murder of the latter's husband, is progressing .-Mrs. Eli Stout, sister-in-law of Stout, the prisoner, was on the witness stand ten hours to-day, and while giving her evidence the prisoner was discovered communicating by Mrs. Littles had occupied the same bed .--The prisoner's mother was then placed on the stand, and testified that he and Mrs. Littles came home on the night of the murder covered with blood, arms broken and bodies bruised; that she and Littles' son went to the river, saw Littles' mangled body, and found Mrs. Littles' cameo pin, Stout's cap, and took them home. Her testimony created in tense excitement in the court room. It is thought that the lad's testimony will be still stronger against the prisoner.

Pennsylvania Legislature. A bill to legislate Judge Wilmot out of The bas passed the Pennsylvania Senate. Pennslyverect a monument in honor of the with Mexico, clunteers who fell in the war has also the bill tassed both branches, as \$2,000. He was also arrested for debts Mr. Beven, in Second-chase the house of amounting to \$70,000, and in default of bail a residence for the Govern Harrisburg, as to the amount of \$14,000 committed to jail.

Mr. Welsh, speaker of the Scuhe State.—

The bill providing for the sale, at \$3,500. Longaker, speaker of the House, and Mr. been very ill for several days, but sharp govering.

Smuggitng. A custom house officer in Boston stopped a "gentleman with a carpet bag," who was leaving the steamship America, and on inspecting the contents of the bag, found \$4000 worth of jewelry which he wished to pass firstof January. without paying the duties. The gentleman pretended that the jewelry was of American

News of the Day. "To show the very age and body of the TIMES."

Several men of wealth in New York, Buflo, and Chicago (says the Movement, a new paper just started in New York) have it in contemplation to establish, somewhere in the West, a leviathan farm of from 100,000 to of the story is a member of the Society of 200,000 acres. Their object is to do for agriculture, by the use of combined wealth and the power of machinery, what has been done in the past half century by the railroad and factory to supersede the old stage coach and the spinning wheel. They will organize the vast tract into two rival establishments, with a military organization of labor, gigantic machinery to plough, plant, reap, and render barvests, vast herds of horses, sheep and cattle of the most select stock, and the culture of fruit and grains on a grand scale.

The Washington correspondent of the New York Times writing on the 17th inst., says : -- "Colonel Seaton, the esteemed jr. editor of the National Intelligencer, gave, one of his famous Congressional suppers on Thursday evening. Governors Seward and Crittenden were the leading spirits at the sumptuous entertainment, which was crowned by a "feast of reason and a flow of soul." About fifty members, with Lord Napier, Baron Stoeckl and a few other gentlemen, composed the party.

According to a circular of M. Aries Dufour, of Lyone, the silk market has been benefitted by an impulse given to the retail trade by a fortnight of fine weather. The stocks of spring goods in the hands of dealers have been cleared off, and if the season had been a little less advanced, fresh orders would probably have been given. Under the circumstances, the transactions in the raw material, although not active, have been sufficient to sustain prices.

The London Times of the 5th instant, reports the suspension of the East India and China firm of Maitland, Ewing & Co. The house was of high standing, and their liabilities are thought to be at least between £200,000 and £300,000. It is supposed, however, they will soon be able to meet all that of Newcomen, Noble & Co., also in the India trade. Liabilities not large.

The New York Legislature adjourned on Barney Williams and wife are having a Tussday night, at ten o'clock. The closing scenes in the House were boisterous and undignified. In the Senate the new Canal bill, providing for a three-quarters mill tax, was lost by a vote of 10 to 13. The deficiency of interest on the Canal debt (\$710,000) is to be paid by the half mill tax passed a few days ago. There will, however, be no funds to go on with the enlargement of the canals during sas as a State of the Union. There is noth- the winter, unless the Legislature, on meeting in January, shall provide them.

> In the examination of the dead letters at the General Post Office for the last quarter of the year there were found 2,482 which contained money, amounting to \$13,457. The three previous quarters gave 2,352 letters, enclosing \$13,364-2,245 covering \$12,656, and 2,202 letters \$11,812. Thus in one year 9.271 letters were discovered, covering \$51,-285; nine-tenths of which have been, through the prompt and judicious action of the finance bureau, restored to their original owners.

> A Belfast paper, which devotes much attention to agricultural matters, learns with satisfaction that the extent of soil turned by the plough in the north of Ireland this season, exceeds by a large figure that of any year since the famine. Southward the reports are equally gratifying; but there is a drawback upon the prospect-a serious fall in the prices of almost everything which the armer supplies.

A few days ago, in the District Court of Alleghany county, Pa., Mrs. Margaretta 13, 11, and 9 years, who, by their father's will, had been taken from her protection and appropriate bonors from almost every counconfided to relatives of the father. The try in the world, save his own. Kings and court, however, decided that the father had a right to "devise the custody of any minor child during his or her minority," to any person whatsoever, and as it was not shown that the children were in any way restrained of their liberty, the mother's application

Quite a fleet of ships cleared at the New Orleans custom-house on the 9th instant, carrying large cargoes. Of cutton there were tate to name bim in honorable association with Herschel and Loverrier, and Humboldt, twenty-eight thousand six hundred and thirty-four bales among the produce, together eighteen thousand five hundred and thirty

sacks of grain, all for foreign markets. Mr. E. Meriam has addressed a letter to the Susquehanna be immediately ordered to a man an Admiral or elevated him to the suitable guarantees for its protection, the the North Seas, to such parallel of latitude as will give a temperature below the line of 32) thirty-two degrees of Fabrenheit, and there remain for at least twenty days for thorough disinfecting by cold.

The decision of the Collector at Baltimore has, on appeal, been confirmed by the Secre-All must deeply regret the necessity which 24 per cent. on "guitar strings" composed of metal and silk. The importers claimed ensed on strings for musical instruments com-

> The contemplated excursion of the steam- for the benefit of succeeding ages." er Ericsson to the Mediterranean, seems to have been abandoned, not more than half a dozen berths having been taken up on the 14th. The Ericsson was to have sailed on the 1st of May. She is now advertised to leave on the 8th of May for Bremen.

A man named Watson, of Frederick, Maigns with her. She testified that Stout and ryland, has been lodged in jail in Martinsburg, charged with having committed forgery upon divers persons to a considerable amount He also bired a horse in the latter place, and attempted to make off with him, but was apprehended rather unexpectedly.

A shipment of eighteen thousand coon skins was made in a single lot from Chicago on the 10th inst., for London, by way of New York. The average value of the coon skins is about fifty cents each. They were made up into bales of three hundred skins each.

H. D. Stone, who was arrested in Springfield, Mass., on Saturday, for forgeries in Worcester, has been held to bail in the sum of

000, of the Pennsylvania State Canals to the Sunbury and Eric Railroad Company, passed Senate on the 17th instant, as it came The House.

mond, Pa., - railroad workmen at Richnon-payment of struck on account of the it is reported, have . "es. Some of them, The New York weekly be pay since the

shows the amount of specie to be toment

The annual festival of the St. George's Society of New York, will be celebrated this year with an unusual amount of enthusiasm. Lord Napier and the Prussian Minister, the the instructions given to the Hon. Wm. B. British Commissioner for the Fisheries, the Mayor and other distinguished guests will be present at the dinner. The special service is a revival of the old and laudable custom of returning thanks to God for special

national blessings during the year. Bishop

A correspondent of the Burlington Free "Times are hard and dull. Produce is tions, are: worth nothing; wheat 42 cents, corn 24 cents, cats 19 cents, butter 12 cents, eggs 5 cents, and other things in proportion.

through both houses of the Legislature of authorities charged with the foreign affairs New York. Whether the Governor has of the Empire. signed-or is going to sign it -remains to be

Ex-Governor Bashford, of Wisconsin, states

The introduction of cotton manufactures into the Texas State penitentiary, has proved very satisfactory. The mills now turn out from ten to twelve thousand yards per week. to all foreign residents in China. The Pope has appointed young Lucien Bo-

of the pontificial prelates. Stanb who murdered Mr. Laurman, at lized Powers of the earth. Chicago, in December last, has been execu-

The Yellow Fever on the Susquehauna. In pursuance of Com. Kearney's advice, orders have been received to pay off the officers and crew of the Susquenanna. The steamer Arctic, at the Navy Yard, is to be sent down to the quarantine, to keep an eye

on the Susquehanna.

The Secretary of the Navy had ordered the Susquehanna to Boston, but as she has no crew, and as it would not be safe, in her oretheir engagements. Another suspension is sent situation, to place one on board, it is not probable that she will be removed from her present anchorage, until she has been completely purified.

Lieut. Shirley, of the Susquehanns, made a trip from Quarantine to the frigate vesterday morning, on board the steaming Rescue. On his return he reported that two of the ship keepers had been taken sick since the day previous, and that one was vomiting freely. Accordingly the Health officer dis patched Capt. Conklin, in the afternoon, with a commission to proceed to the frigate and bring the two new cases to the Marine Hospital. Capt. Conklin, with the steam tug Rescue, proceeded at once to the lower bay to carry out his order, but on arriving in the vicinity of the Susquehanna, he found the swell of the sea so heavy that he dared not bring the tug near the frigate, and hence the sick could not be removed. Cant. Conklin was ordered to renew his efforts to transport the sick men as soon as the sea subsid ed. The ship keepers are very auxious to get clear from the frigate.

The names of those persons who have died on the Susquebanna, and of any who having sicked on board her die on shore, will be reported, according to a rule in all such cases. to the Fourth Auditor at Washington, with memoranda of their effects, and the amount in promoting the objects of your mission. due each at the time of his death. The friends of deceased can obtain these by taking out letters of administration, and making application as above .- N. Y. Com.

Lieut. Maury. One of the most creditable deeds perform-

ed at the last session of the Virginia Legislarecommending to the Federal Administra- China, nor does it seek to enter that Empire tion, for extraordinary promotion in the pa-Washington, Lieut, Maury has received Emperors have vied with each other in showering distinctions upon his head, whilst a Naval Reform Board of his own country did its best to establish the proposition that "Republics are ungrateful." As the Petersburg

Express say: -Rich. Di-p.
"The intelligent citizen of England, France or Germany, who has long ago learned to regard Lt. Maury, as one of the intellectual beacons of the age, and who does not hesihears with astonishment, amounting almost with four hundred hogsheads tobacco, and | to incredulity, that he is nothing more than a Lieutenant in the service he so much adorns, and enjoys no pre-eminence as to pay or position over a hundred other officers intention to interfere in their political conwho have made no contributions to science the Secretary of the Navy, suggesting that whatever. England would have made such Peerage, France would have showered on him, extension of our commercial intercourse substantial tokens of her favor-in the Uni- must be the work of individual enterprise, ted States he is permitted to pursue his im- and to this element of our national character portant labors in a subordinate rank, and we may safely leave it. With the domestic receives for them no more compensation than institutions of China, we have no political is frequently given to a travelling clerk of a concern, and to attempt a forcible interfer-New York commercial establishment. We think of Lieut. Maury in his midnight watchtary of the Treasury, in charging a duty of es with the stars, absorbed in those difficult sired. Fortunately, bowever, commerce itand delicate calculations upon which de- self is one of the most powerful means of pends the mariner's safety on the trackless deep, or in his daily studies laying down the coming into peaceful contact with men laws which regulate the viewless minds, as other regions, and other races, with different of a man superior to all those by whom babits and greater knowledge, the jealous he is surrounded, and working like Bacon system of seclusion, which has so long sepa-

The Level of the Great Lakes.

There is said to be a mysterious rise and fall of the great level of the American lakes, which has long occupied the attention of many scientific men. In addition to the variations which depend upon the changes of no wave has been seen over two feet in beight | tion which you consider so desirable,' phenemenon has not yet been accounted for; mere commercial one." but Mr. Charles Whittlesey, of Cleveland, Onio, who has recently published a pamphlet on the subject, thinks that the causes are to be sought in the electro-magnetic changes of the atmosphere .- Boston Journal.

The Neutrality Case at Buffalo.

case of Thuringer and Z mmerman, arrested for an alleged violation of the neutrality Buffalo Advertiser save :

'reaty of friendship.

The United States and China.

The President of the United States, on compliance with a resolution of that body, member of the H. of D.) says: Reed, the Commissioner of the United States tle. distant Empire. The entire document is interesting, but the instructions to Mr. Reed Potter and many of the clergy will attend on letter from the Secretary of State, bearing dred and fifty left upon the table. date the 30th of May, 1857: "The objects which it is understood the

The bill to prohibit Masquerades went ror, and to be in communication with the people.

to the five ports enumerated in the treaty. "3d. A reduction of the tariff of duties that he was offered \$150,000 to approve of the levied upon domestic produce in its transit | panies, distilleries, and some other subjects. first bill reported for distributing the lands from the interior to the coast, as the amount The Senate rejected it for want of time for mind of the deceased doubtless has long been granted by Congress in aid of the railroads now imposed is said to be a violation of the its proper consideration. The truth is, that

when you reach Chica, and act accordingly.

of piracy. naparte, already private chamberlain, as one of the proposed treaty to all the other civi- terested motives, and I give it as my settled

> dent as just and expedient, and, so far as you sembly should hold annual sessions." can do so by peaceful co-operation, he expects that you will aid in their accomplishment. In conformity with this policy, you will communicate frankly with the British and French Ministers upon all the points of common interests, so that it may be distinctly understood that the three nations are equally influenced by a determination to obtain justice, and by a desire to procure treaty arrangements for the extension and more adequate protection of their commercial intercourse with China. But on your side, these efforts must be confined to firm representations, appealing to the justice and policy of Government to determine upon the course to be adopted.

"Should your representations be fruitless, special reference is made to your communication to the Ministers of Great Britain and France, not only from our common interests with these nations in the trade of China, and in the means suggested for its extension, but because they alone, among the great Powers of the world, have diplomatic representatives at Canton. It is understood, however, that Russia, which has long been represent ed in China by missionaries of religion, has recently attempted to secure the reception there of an accredited minister, and you may possibly find this purpose accomplished when you reach your destination. In that event, there is no good reason why you should not have the same friendly relations with the Russian envoy as with the representatives of Great Britain and France. You are authorized, therefore, to communicate with him as far as practicable upon all subjects of mutual concern; and should his disposition prove favorable, as it is believed it will, his co-operation may be highly advantageous This co-operation is to be expected, moreover, with the greater confidence, because there is nothing in the policy of the United States, with respect to China, which is not quite consistent with the pacific relations which are understood to exist between that Empire and Russia.

"This country, you will constantly bear in mind is not at war with the Government of for any other purposes than those of lawful territorial aggrandizement or the acquisi-During the hostilities which now exist in China, we may be able to avail ourselves of this fortunate position, not only for the bencplished by a revision of the existing treaties. in this way to the termination of the war. You will, therefore, not fail to let it be known to the Chinese authorities, that we are no party to the existing hostilities, and have no cerns, or to gain a foothold in their country. We go there to engage in trade, but, under ence with them would not only be unjust in itself, but might defeat the very object de civilization and national improvement. By rated China from the rest of the world, will gradually give way, and with increased intercourse will come those meliorations in the moral and physical condition of its people which the Christian and the philanthropist The letter of Mr. Case to Lord Napier, under

have so long and so ardently desired." date of the 10th of April, 1857, in relation seasons, there is also a local, fitful, irregular to matters connected with the Chinese, was ociliation of a few inches to a few feet, not also appended to the instructions given to to be predicted, its period of oscillation be- the Commissioner. In that letter, Mr. Cass ing from three to five minutes, and which | tells Lord Napier that it is not competent for continues from one to twenty-four hours .-- | the Executive to grant (for reasons explain-In the course of several years' observations [ed] "that concurrence and active co-operain stormy weather, and in calm weather over to give orders to the naval officers of the one and one-half feet. The average interval United States in China, "to act heartily in has been found to be four and one-halt mi - concert with the agent of the Allied Powutes. The waves invariably come in from the ers," the "intercourse between this country

> Death of a Revolutionary Veteran. The Maysville East Tennessean relates the following singular accident, which resulted

in the death of a revolutionary soldier: "On Tuesday, the 9th inst., Mr. George At the examination of witnesses in the of the days of the revolution, aged about 94 laws, the evidence taken pointed pretty con- logs, was situated near the foot of a hill. It which we will sell very low. Give us a call clusively to the guilt of the prisoners. The will be recollected that at the time the ground before purchasing. S.& W. MEYENBERG, was severly frozen and covered with ice .- ap 23 "There appears to be no difficulty in estab- His son went out to chop wood, and after cutlishing the charge against them, but whether ting some near the house, went to a considethey were authorized by the British Govern- rable distance up the hill and cut down a ment, or by a British officer, to obtain re- tree; when it fell, it started to slide in a direct cruits, is quite another question. The denial line towards the house, and, after sliding of the British Consul that they are, places some distance, nearly stopped, but started them in a peculiar position, looking more again with accelerated motion, and was precilike a private speculation than anything pitated with so much violence against the corner of the house so as to knock out a short It is doubtful whether our neutrality laws log, which struck Mr. Weils on the temple can be deemed violated by enlisting men and fractured his shull. Mr. Wells leaves a here, unless the men are enlisted for service large family, some of his children scarcely war against a nation with whom we grown. It we recollect rightly, he was the tather of twenty-two children.

The Late Legislature.

The Richmond correspondent of the Rock-Wednesday, communicated to the Senate, in lingham Register (W. G. Stevens, esq., a late "The regular session accomplished but lit-

The extra session, though of but thirty in China, for the regulation of his official one days' duration, was productive of great conduct during the existing troubles in that results, considering the surrounding circum-

"During both sessions, five hundred and are embraced in the subjoined extract of a thirty bills were passed, and about two hun-

"The oyster bill failed to pass, not be-Press writes from Saint Charles, Illinois: Allies seek to accomplish by treaty stipula- of it, but because it is a subject little understood, and there was not sufficient time for '1st. To procure from the Chinese Gov- its proper consideration. I doubt not that erament a recognition of the right of other at the next session a tax in some shape will Powers to have accredited Ministers at the be imposed on the bivalves, notwithstanding Court of Pekin, to be received by the Empe- the violent opposition of the tide water

"The tax bill which passed the House was "2d. An extension of commercial inter- old tax bill is still in force, and the taxes recourse with China, which is now restricted main as they were last year. The new bill made no material changes, only increasing the taxes on brokers, foreign insurance comunder the new constitution, the time pre-"On this subject you will be able to ascer- scribed for legislation is too restricted." tain the true state of the alleged grievance is all id'e to say that the varied interests of en you reach Chica, and act accordingly. this great State can be properly legislated a protracted meeting, in Scott county, in the 4th. A stipulation for religious freedom for in the sbort space of ninety days every town of Benton. The deceased visited the other year. I never again expect to be a "5th. An arrangement for the suppression | member of the Virginia Legislature, and, therefore, I can speak on this subject with-"6th. Provisions for extending the benefits out being suspected of being actuated by in- tively to the sermon. My text was Almost opinion, based upon what little experience I the close he came up and took me by the "These objects are recognized by the Presi- have had in legislation, that the General As- hand, and placing his mouth close to my ear

Notwithstanding this peculiar bird has puzzled conjecture even, with regard to its appearance and disappearance, mode of hibernating and so forth, it certainly affords of his earthly career. They have been expecmany excellent advantages for inquiry. The ting it, and have not been disappointed. pinion that they live in the earth is rengthened in our mind, says the Petersburg Express, from recent developments we have been made acquainted with, and other evidences of a convicting nature. Several days ago, a gentleman, while strolling through Roslin, discovered a sora walking along the the Chinese authorities, and leaving your own margin of a ditch, and commenced chasing it. The bird however disappeared, where, he did not know, but finally upon looking un-

derneath a tuft of branches, he discovered a hole running into the earth, into which he thought possibly it might have gone. After ligging down about ten inches, the sora reappeared, and evading his hand, ran off with stonishing swiftness. He then examined the hole more closely, and found a second member of the tribe, crouching timidiv to the bettom of its retreat. Here a nest was lound, with one egg, of a bluish tint, about the size of the egg of a partridge. The genleman took the egg from its place and secored the bird, but changing his mind, replaced both. The bird now refused to reoccupy her outraged nest, and was in a moment out of sight, in search of her runaway lord. Several instances have been related us, which this fully corroborates, the young sora themselves having actually been turned up by the ploughshare. They are distinguished for their extreme blackness and remarkable swittness. Those who have beretofore inclined to the pinion that the sora fled to more genial gions on the appearance of frost, have now an epportunity of changing their views or of examining to their satisfaction the truth of heir prejudices on the subject. How Thieves are Treated in New York

For several weeks thefts have been committed with impunity on board the Port Richmond ferry boats, notwithstanding the hands on board kenta vigilant watch in order o detect the perpetrators. On Saturday afternoon, just before the Huguenot started from New York on her 4 o'clock trip, a genval service. Lieut. Matthew F. Maury, of the commerce, and for the protection of the lives teelly dressed young man was detected cutand the coronation of Queen Victoria. The new minister's income is now as follows:

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val service. Lieut. Matthew F. Maury, of the commerce, and for the protection of the protection of the five and property of its citizens. The whole nature and property of its citizens. The whole nature and policy of our Government must net taken two smaller ones. He was arrested. cessarily confine our action within these him- and on his person was found a pawnbroker's its, and deprive us of all motives either for ticket for an overcoat, belonging to a resident of Castleton, stolen from the boat three tion of political power in that distant region. weeks ago. Yesterday the prisoner was erasoned before Justice Connolly at the Special Sessions, and the owner of the overcost attended as a witness. The prisoner, fit of our countrymen who reside there, or nowever, feeling doubtless how clear and who have extensive interests there of a com- conclusive the case was against him, pleaded mercial character, but in order to facilitate guilty, acknowledging both thefts. The witalso the general objects sought to be accom- ness, though put upon the stand and interrogated on one or two points, was not sworn, It is possible even that it may be employed and Justice Connolly informed him that in with advantage as a means of communica- consequence of some representations from a tion between the beliigerent parties, and newspaper office, which he named, sentence upon the prisoner would be suspended. So the man against whom two cases of theft were clearly proved-and they form but a part of those committed on the boat-was alowed to go unpunished. "Comment is unnecessary."-N. Y. Com.

Balloon Experiments. Prof. John Wise of this city, (says the Lancaster, Pa., Times,) extensively known or his many successful and thrilling zeronancie voyages and discoveries, bas left Lancaster for Washington city, to make preparations for a series of the most extensive and interesting baloon experiments ever witnessed in our country. Mr. Wise has been engaged to make these experiments for the Smithsonian Institute, with instruments provided by it for the purpose. He has made arrangements with the City Gas Company for a liberal sugply of gas for his use. Ine of the experi ents will consist of a squadron of balloons in the shape of a balloon regetts. In another one he will cut loose from the balloon, when two miles high, (leaving the balloon in charge of a companion,) and descend with a canvass air conductor.

Mr. Wise expects to establish the practicability of guiding balloons along the lines of telegraph, and by other means, so as to be able to steer for and arrive at a given point. with as much certainty as ships are made to navigate the ocean and carry on commerce with the world.

Libertan African Exploration.

The interior of Western Africa is to be explored by the Rev. George L. Seymour, a olored emigrant from Hartford Connecticut, of twelve years' standing, and now a minister in the Methodist church. The exploration will be at the instance of private citizens and the government of Liberia, by whom open sea in a line parallel with the shore. The and China" being, and must continue, " a several hundred dollars have been contributed to aid the enterprise Seymour's expectation is to go to the capital of the Mandingo country on his first tour, and on the second to reach the Niger.

DRY GOODS.—We have now on hand a full stock of DRY GOODS, such as Bleached Wells, of Sevier county, one of the remnants and Brown Shirtings and Sheetings; Denims; striped Lines and Cotton Ducks; Lines Drilling years, was so severely injured as to cause his for Pants. For Servants and Housekeepers, we death in two hours. His house, built of have a large and complete stock of goods, Sarepta Hall.

TISS ME QUICK, a new Perfume; also, Frangipanni Extract, just received at STONE'S, No. 105 King street, opposite Marshall House.

WOOL purchased by HILL, BROWN & PARTLOW. ap 23—1y

NAMILY, EXTRA AND SUPERFINE FLOUR, for sale by ap 23 HILL BROWN & PARTIOW DAINT MILLS, received and for sale by HENRY COOK & CO. Sarepta Hall

Col. Benton's Religious Experiences. The St. Lauis journals, of the 17th, come to us full of the Benton obsequies, which took place on that day. In the funeral sermon-preached by Rev. Mr. Cowan, of Carondelet-the following incident, illustrative of Col. Benton's religious experiences, was related: 'The deceased has always been a believer

in the truth of the christian religion. He was not one of those who supposed it necessary to repudiate the christian religion as an evidence of superior inte lect. He was traincause there was not a large majority in favor ol by a pious mother, who was an Episcopa. lian, and to whom he was indebted, in a great degree for his distinction in subsequent life, In the kind providence of God, he has moreover, been favored in having for his most intimate friends, those who feared God. and cared for his soul. His sainted wife was a devoted christian, and always felt a deep concern for his spiritual interests .defeated in the Senate, and, therefore, the Your former beloved pastor, Dr. Potts, left no opportunity unimproved in an endeavor to bring him to Christ. He corresponded with him in regard to religion, and doubtless made him the subject of his prayers, as long as Gol left him on earth to be thus engaged. The interested in a greater or less degree, on the matter of his salvation. It may not be improper to mention a circumstance which necurred in the year 1851. I was engaged in place during the meeting.

He attended the exercises which took place during his stay in town. He listened attenthou persuadest me to be a Christian.' At he remarked, in allusion to my text. "It is all own case-it is all my own case," and burst into a flood of tears. Those, therefore, who have intimately known his history, especially in the later years of his life, have not been surprised at the happy termination

The "Hard Up" Hog Case. To the editor of the Fredericksbury Healt

My attention has been called to a small article in your paper of the 14th metant, which you have seen fit to copy from the "Warrenton Flag," and have added a few prefatory remarks of your own, and have headed the piece "Hard Up." The article in question stated, that "In a recent case in the Circuit Court at Warrenton, a prominent butcher from Fredericksburg, test fied, that ten fat hogs could not be obtained in and within five miles of that city, upon a week's notice."

The case was this, a "prominent" citizen of Fauquier County, had contracted to fanish one of our pork butchers with sen large and very fat hogs, to weigh from two butdred and fifty to three hundred pounds each, and to be delivered on the 1st day of November. This "prominent" citizen failed to comply with his contract, and sent the higto Alexandria, because he understood that pork was worth more in Alexandria than he had contracted to deliver his at. The question was asked, whether or not our pork butchers could have supplied the place of these bogs, either in, or within a lew miles of Fredericksburg, and the answer is new, as it was then, unequivocally, No !

The editor of the "Fing" in his landable desire for a "local item," and you in your over-experness for news, both soon to have overlooked the fact, that this is a grain-growing, but not a purk producing country, as owing to facilities of transporting our grain, the article of pork can be bought from those who have not such facilities, encaper than we can raise it at home, and some of our largest farmers, who make several thousand bushels of corn, do not raise a sir this "prominent" citizen of Fauquier County, is sufficient evidence of the fact that the article could not be procured in our midstand I very much question the fact, whether as early as the Ist of November in any year, that ten very fat bogs, averaging from 250 to 300 pounds each, could be precared in Alexandria, or within five miles of that city. unless there should happen to be a distillery

in the neighborhood. I am in hopes, Mr. Editor, that we may never be so "hard up" as to fail to camply with our contracts, and when called on to testify, let the truth be spoken openly, and fearlessly, by each and every one of us, as it was, by the prominent butcher of FREDERICKSBURG

INABLE AND TOILET DRY GOODS-We have just received and ready for sale a very extensive and varied assortment of goods in the above lines, which will be found descrable to housekeepers. We name in part the follow Very heavy 8-4, 9-4, 10-4, and 12-4 Russian

made Table Damusks, very cheap and durable, exactly suited to the times. Heavy and durable Table Cloths in all sizes from 8-4 by 8-4 to 8-4 by 12-4, and 10-4 by

10-4 to 10-4 by 28-4, for dinners; and Overlays, Napkins, and Doylies to match. Very heavy cream colored Russian, Barnsly and Scotch Damasks, in the piece and cloths Wine Damasks and Wine Table Cloths all

sizes, in extremely novel and rich colors, warranted to hold in the wash Fruit Doy lies, same colors. Elegant Cloth Piano and Table Covers, very In Toilet Goods we have doubtless the best and

most extensive ever seen in this market amongst which may be found: Extra heavy twilled Russia 11-4 and 12-4 Sheeting, and plain ditto, for family use. The only objection to these goods is they wear oo long-9-4, 10-4, 11-4, and full 12-4 German Barns Sheeting, beautifully fine, very heavy, and re

markably cheap. Towelling in great variety, for bathing and to let use. Turkish, Allendale, Dimity, and Marseilles Quilts, all sizes and colors, in great variet,

and very cheap. CLAGETT & DODSON. Washington, ap 23-eost NEW AND DEEPLY INTERESTING A BOOK AT FRENCH'S Book and Periods

al Depot. The Quaker Soldier, or the British in Pauldelphia, an Historical Novel, complete in orlarge duodecimo volume, cloth, for \$1.25, or a

two volumes paper covers, \$1. A fresh supply of the London Biostrated News, with splendid colored supplement of the Entrance into Berlin of the Prince and Princes Frederick William.

The London Punch, 121c Yankee Hill's New York Punch, 3c. Arkansas Ranger, or Dingle the Backwoods man, by Lieut. Murry, Novellette extra, com-

Paper Dolls and Paper Furniture, a fresh supply, several new styles, a great variety, and beautiful patterns.

All the New Books, Magazines, and Newspir pers on hand, and for sale. DATENT MEDICINES -H H Ballston I saparilla; Davis's Pain Killer, Hurt's Lov

saparilia; Davis a Pain & Mistar's Robert ment; Gwin's Cherry Pectoral Wistar's Robert of Wild Cherry; Swain's, Freys, Wright's Fahnestock's, Brown's, McLane's, and Javies Vermifuges; Lyon's Kathairon; Barry's Tr copherous, and West's Fluid for the Hair Schiedam Schnapps and Peel's Green Girge! Wine. For sale by PEEL, STEVENS & Co.

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GOODS, &c., to which we invite attention. ap 23 WITMERS & CO [Culpeper Observer, Mariboro' Gazette, Fatriat News, Port Tobacco Times, and Sentinel J.